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,well. Managers.

No American Dreadnought.

A healthy sentiment appears to be spreading in Congress against the plan of pense of other governments.

obsolete ships should be replaced by new Him out of the state altogether. ment of battle ships, differing in size, later has got to face the subject boldly. Where. The House committeemen doubtspeed, and armament, as from year to year the competition in naval architecture grew fiercer and more foolish.

We hope it is true that the President is more in accord with a sound policy of from the international scramble for the biggest battle ship, and preserve the strength and homogeneity of the fleat strength and homogeneity of the fleet.

Gud bi, "thru;" take kare uv yorself.

Unquestionably, cowardice was the printhe majority of the House members who killed the item in the appropriation bill religious troubles. increasing the salary of the national lawmakers from \$5,000 to \$7,500. Some of those who made speeches against the proposition placed their opposition on high ground, notably Mr. Boutell, of Illinois; but the truth of the declaration of Mr. Clark, of Florida, that many of those who had made up their minds to vote against The proposed increase in the compensation of Congressmen would have added to the annual budget only a little more than a million dollars. That amount of money the annual budget only a little more than a million dollars. That amount of money is a mere bagatelle in the eyes of the American people, whose government is now costing them three-quarters of a billion a year. That this stupendous tax of a fraud, but his fraudulent practices of a fraudulent practices of whose work ought to he-whether it is or

not-the most valuable to the republic. The fact that with practical unanimity both sides of the House voted to increase the salaries of the Vice President, the Speaker, and each member of the Cabinet from their present inadequate size to the respectable figure of \$12,000 proves the case against the Representatives.

Oh, economy, what silly things are done in thy name by the American Congress! Oh, hypocrisy, thy name is "politics!"

The ship of state is moving along fairly well. Do not rock the boat.

Ambassadorial Duties.

Many and varied have been the reasons that he has allowed, in Washington, do business till the crack of doomstifled by that of the German and French to the contrary notwithstanding.

The British, in short, have come to the take a leaf out of our book. As the West- men; they will probably get it, anyway. are. minster Gazette says, the United States has sent to England an unrivaled succes sion of distinguished, broad-gauged, thoroughly human ambassadors. None of mary of conditions in the Philippines them has been a trained diplomatist, yet that the troubles of the archipelago are all have been successful. Instead of be- economic rather than political. The discoming wrapped up in "the banalities of turbances in the islands of Samar and international negotiations," they open Leyte, which threaten to delay the proslibraries instead of dispatch boxes, and pective elections for a popular assembly

make speeches instead of representations, grew out of an old feud between the that an ambassador, to be successful in Pulajanes, and the buyers of their prod this country, must exert himself, make uct in the coast towns, who are accused his personality felt; travel about the of depressing and monopolizing the hemp country; make such an impression that market. The feeling engendered by the he will be sought at public functions; sharp practices of the hemp buyers, mingle in public-not political-life, and, in among whom, apparently, are municipal short, so far as consistent with the dig- officials, has created a feeling of resentnity of his office, he should be more of ment against constitutional authority "hall fellow, well met" than British am- and has led to reprisals. Both Gov. bassadors to Washington have been in the Gen. Smith and Maj. Gen. Wood ful things sometimes happen to a silent past. Measured by these requirements, think the situation in Samar and Leyte partner. there is no doubt that the retiring British greatly improved, and Secretary Taft is Ambassador falls short, and is not at all hopeful that there will be no reason for after the pattern of Lowell, Choate, and postponing the elections beyond the date Whitelaw Reid, who did so much to make originally contemplated.

much justice, we think, that President abundant, the public peace is in the main Roosevelt's friendship for Emperor Wil- well preserved, and the work of internal liam II has somewhat obscured the improvement goes steadily on: But the

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cally on the side of England against Germany." We have come to a point in this gov-

We think that the British press has, more than cold and unsympathetic dig-

Mr. Root declared: "Times change, and the standpatters.

France Again Faces a Crisis.

In a memoir of Tennyson it is related now one evening the solitary poet wandered to the house of Carlyle, in Cheyne place, and the twain, scant of speech, sat silent in the library for a long time. Tennyson, at last, flung open the window and leaned out, long, puffing at his strong pipe, and occupied with his own thoughts Suddenly he turned about, knocked out the ashes, and exclaimed: "By the living God, but France is in a loathsome state;" and so betook himself home. Some equally strong and terse char-

our naval enthusiasts to build the biggest acterization might be applied to the battle ship in the world. We can well af- France of the present day; republican ford to let the international rivalry over France, with its striking evidences of inthe construction of Dreadnoughts run its justice; its confiscation of church propcourse under other climes and at the ex- erty which is little short of robbery; its profit through the issue of more bank We agree with our great apostle of its agnostic statesmen crying with vauntpeace, the winner of the Nobel prize, ing boast that they have driven Christ gency from which relief is desired is escape. that the navy should be maintained at its from the army and navy, from the asy- merely a local matter, even if it is not so spend our lives that when we have present strength, and that the old and lums, the schools, and now must hunt directly brought about by the banks them-

and good ones. But we regretfully part | The trouble in France to-day is much company with him on his "well-settled more than a mere question of the separa- Bankers' Association appeared before the programme of providing for the building tion of church and state. A movement House Committee on Banking the other each year of at least one first-class toward such separation has been going day, they found it difficult to convince the battle ship equal in size and speed to on for years all over the world, and even members of the committee that high any that any nation is at the same time conservative England has been in the money rates in New York City were not building." Such a programme would fill throes of argument over the matter ever a purely local phenomenon, without any the navy with a heterogeneous assort- since Gladstone's prime, and sooner or connection with monetary conditions else-

willing to forego this programme and to be understood, that religions have taken lated the money market by calling its accept an addition to the navy of a battle their place among us solely on their mership or two of the type lately built as its, and every man is guaranteed his right artificial scarcity of credit, for the pur-

biggest battle ship, and preserve the that frenzied hysteria which leads to the and there is beginning to be loud demand chalfactor in determining the votes of when her purely political differences be- ing high rates for money on call are artishown to be in England. In the face is not his own. A close friend of his in

> Congressional salaries, or, better still, of system short of the "barbarous," it is May 29 of the same year, when they, issue an Executive order raising them.

"Fraud Order" for Santa Claus!

scribed a situation that would be ludicrous but for the timidity that brought it about.

prise on learning that a "fraud order" has been issued by the Post-office Department Wall street, and it should be taken to

upon their earnings is not dissatisfying of a fraud, but his transfer and good have brought only happiness and good tinuing in power year after year the party charged with the responsibility of their sovernment. Hence the Democrate can Claus did not deserve. His broad and heregovernment. Hence, the Democrats canworth while by the virtually unanimous fact that tots and toddlers are so forgivsuch besmirching. Were it not for the vote they gave in the House against the ing and forgetful, we have no doubt that proposal to increase the compensation in after years the high and mighty authorities who have forced this indignity upon this grand old man would hear the voice of the people thundering in their ears as never before. But, 'alas, as childish hearts grow in wisdom, we fear they are prone to overlook and evense

> such things. The Herald's juvenile constituency the American Olympic games committee. should treat the government's order with This ought to bring some comfort to the contempt it deserves, and write to Gen. Grosvenor's heart. Santa Claus as much as they please What does a post-office order amount to between such stanch friends, anyway? The Post-office Department cannot outlaw Santa Claus with all the mamas and the papas in the land backing him up. He will get most of the letters all right.

given for the retirement from Washing- ment who are primarily responsible for years hence. Let us, then, pass up the ton of Sir Mortimer Durand. It has been this highly reprehensible act we have problem for a while. said, with more than a shadow of truth, more pity than scorn. We might go so far that he has not been in accord with his as to say we admire their courage, even government with regard to the interests though we do minimize their judgment of Canada and Newfoundland, and the Santa Claus has been carrying that pack British press believes that he has not and scattering that same kind of sunshine been able to adapt himself to the mode too many years to be disturbed by any and attitude of Washington social life. such intervention by this strong central-Our English cousins are of the opinion ized government, and he will continue to British influence to be overshadowed and "fraud orders" and high-handed assaults

"When we get the pole, what will w belief that it would be well for them, in do with land so situated?" asks a conthe matter of appointing ambassadors, to temporary. Give it to the Oregon states-

Our Philippine Colony.

We gather from Secretary Tafi's sum-They are coming to believe, and wisely, hemp-raising mountain peoples, known as

The British also complain, without for several years. Island revenues are luster of Britain's representative. Of principal industries of the people, the course, Count Speck von Sternburg is a cultivation of sugar and tobacco, are not on Christmas.

personal friend of the President, but Sir flourishing. What the Filipino people Mortimer Durand can hardly be blamed really need, Mr. Taft says in effect, is for Mr. Roosevelt's personal predilections. a share in American prosperity, which The British themselves admit that Count he admits they have not had throughout Speck von Sternburg is one of the ablest the periods of American occupation. He opponents that British diplomacy has suggests as one means to this end the Marched up the hill, and then marched down again. anywhere to encounter. But we can establishment of an agricultural bank, hardly go with the London Outlook when modeled upon the Egyptian bank instituted by Lord Cremer. High interest "We do not believe that he (Mr. Roosevelt) could rates, Mr. Taft says, are the greatest be trusted, even in a matter that did not touch burden upon Philippine agriculture, a date when he reigned. We do not know Gov. Terrell appoints Mr. Bacon or some to range himself automati- burden which could be lifted by an if it was Charles V (1337), sometimes call- body else to fill the vacancy. Senator agricultural bank. The proposition will doubtless recall certain Populist finanernment where personal friendship counts cial schemes of the last decade, but for a good deal in the things that are times are changing, and Secretary Taft We do not know if it was Charles VI, arrangements now existing in his State where the large that has been instructed the local transfer of the going, but we doubt very much whether strongly urges Congress to heed the cry friendship can be carried to the extent of the Filipino granger for cheaper who was defeated at Armsourt by Hen-

money. Secretary Taft reports that the troubleonly to the President and officials, but the of the islands, which has unanimously only informed that the subject of the doubt whatever of his re-election by the country generally, counts for a good deal decided that "the title to the churches text was "the King of France." and convents used and occupied by the Roman Catholic Church before the change religious controversy removed forever.

While Mr. Root was talking about those States that maintain vicious laws, designedly enacted for the purpose of fostering trusts and oppressive monopolies, New Jersey tried to look just as uncon-

One Obstacle to Currency Reform.

In the notable address delivered by bitter intolerance against the clergy, and notes, and partly on conviction that the selves for selfish purposes.

When several members of the American In America, fortunately, our forefathers less had in mind the allegations made only -most of whom had suffered through re- a short time before by Mr. Schiff before ligious intolerance-laid the foundations of the New York Chamber of Commerce that our government so firmly, and clearly to a certain bank in that city had manipusubversion of all law and order, which for reform in the methods of loaning on leads to injustice and cruelty. It is bad call, methods which Mr. Schiff had no enough for France to have, latent in her hesitation in denouncing as "barbarous." come entangled by or identified with her ficial and local, it will continue to be diffi- of their opposition, however, the comthe necessity for currency reform. He bodies being built in the local shops.

If Mr. Roosevelt wants to make a real will be apt to think that reform should be in the will send in gin at home, and that until metropolitan becember 4, 1905, to April 7, 1906, and hardly reasonable to ask the government too, were retired.

One of the Georgia counties is rejoicing

An Indiana man stole a mile and a half to the people is evidenced by their conof copper wire charged with 550 volts of

> A hard-headed San Francisco judge ornly persists in delaying Mayor Schmitz's "triumphant vindication" by re fusing to sustain demurrers and technica throwing the indictments out of

> It also adds to the gayety of nations to note the emphatic and hasty way in which the Sterers deny that they "made Mr. Rooosevelt has consented to serve

A Berlin professor says thoughts may be photographed. It would be very diffi-

cult to recognize some of our friends by their thought pictures, however. It has been statistically demonstrated

that there will be one Japanese for every For the people in the Post-office Depart- five hundred Americans, one hundred

Unless Mr. Bryan desires to be considered a mossback and an old fogle, he should hurry along with another trip abroad and come home still more radical Things are coming pretty than ever swift these days.

Having displayed an ability to keep 3,000 servants in his employ, the Emperor of Germany thinks nothing of a little thing like firing the Reichstag.

A Kansas man has invented a moneycounting machine. They really cannot take the time to count it for themselves in Kansas, with crops and things as they

People are said to live longer in Bulgaria than anywhere alse on earth. Every-

Emperor William is also a handy man with his big stick.

Here comes Mr. Hughes and further proves that he is "not a politician" by and to flaunt them." displaying a hearty willingness to keep

his ante-election promises.

The disposition to tax inheritances rather than incomes lifts a burden of woe told he is a member of the Senate? Does from the soul of the press agent. Stage fortunes do not matter, after the pos

Andrew Carnegie's statement that the public has always been a partner in his business transactions shows what fright-

Congressman Fred Landis says the statement that his defeat was due to the with a chip on her shoulder."
"friendship of Congressman Longworth" "Why so?" asked his clubmate. "friendship of Congressman Longworth "an insult to the intelligence of his the United States well and favorably Depression of agriculture remains the constituents." The inference is, of course, understood in England. enough to defeat him, even without Mr. Longworth's assistance.

> The most unfortunate youngster coming under our notice for many a day is an Augusta (Ga.) boy whose birthday comes

A LAY SERMON.

By A LAYMAN.

friendship can be carried to the extent of the Filipino granger for cheaper who was defeated at Agincourt by Henon the whole, got at the root of the diffisome question of the ownership of the
Louis IX, who had Flanders restored to met in October, and usually elected culty in supplying the right sort of an land and buildings occupied by the France, and died from poison; or Louis United States Senators in Nover ambassador to Washington. With us the ability to be really persona grata, not ability to be really persona grata, not has been settled in the Supreme Court other of the kings of that name. We are named month. There is, of course, no doubt whatever of his re-ejection by the

of sovereignty vested in that church, and that all men, kings, princes, presidents, men change with them." Everybody but of course was not divested by the treaty governors, soldiers, and all others who of Paris." Thus the last bond connects ever inhabited or ever will inhabit this Senator Bacon. A question also has be ing church and state in the Philippines earth, have marched up the hill of life, has been severed and a fruitful cause of or are now doing so, and will march down again. Each one, without regard to his character or position in life, has in his mind the top of the hill, which he desires to reach. On that hill are supposed to rest fame, riches, contentment, and happiness. There are many roads and paths leading to the top, which are crossed by rough grounds, deep rivers, huge stones, and extremes of heat and cold, and storms and tempests. Each Jacob H. Schiff, in Chicago, a few days ago, that eminent financier spoke of the find fame or riches are frequently surpopular distrust of propositions for the feited with their findings, and disappointimprovement of our currency system-a ed at the measure of their success, and distrust grounded partly on belief that the time comes when they must, in comthe banks are seeking a new source of pany with their less successful companions, commence their march down the hill, and the roads and paths of all, wealthy, poor, and unknown, lead only to the grave. From this we know there is no It, therefore, behooves us to hill we can feel that we have endeavored

EXTRAVAGANT OWNERSHIP.

Australian Government Omnibuses Operated at a Heavy Loss,

Arthur Williams, in the World To-day. One of the most remarkable instances of extravagance in the administration of government-owned utilities in Ausof the merits of the scheme, as he saw them, but the train officials protested against the proposed purchase, and ascult to convince the ordinary citizen of missioners imported four chassis, the

The Spelling Bee at Billville.

From the Atlanta Constitution. "We regret to report," says the Billover the fact that it has held a fair and wound up with a handsome surplus instead of the regulation deficit.

We legic to report, says the Billbeen longer in the State Department than any other high official there, compose the stead of the regulation deficit. spellers coming in contact with the old. When they tackled the word 'Through,' President Roosevelt as his authorities, hereupon he was accused of being a of Mr. Root. Republican agitator who has had n clace in a Democratic spelling bee. He went 'through'-but it was by way of the window. Then another chap created a ilsturbance with the word 'probably which he tried to shorten to 'probly. He will probably recover, although he has hree doctors and a trained nurse. There were many other instances of a lack of harmony in the meeting; but it was remarkable that, though they left the 'e out of 'whisky,' it went down peaceable!' another term as honorary president of

Bridget Was Willing to Work.

"We had at one time in our service." says a modern housekeeper, "a very sim-

"She showed the quality of her intelligence on the very day she came. She was told to go out into the yard and take down the clothesline, which was stretched

we began to wonder what on earth-had become of her. We went out to see what she was doing, and found her working away vigorously with a spade. She had dug up three of the posts, and had almost completed the work upon the fourth. She did not stay with us long."

Not So Wicked, After All. From the New York Sun.

"I hear a great deal about the wickedless of New York men, their infidelity ind their recklessness in general," said the woman who deals in real estate, "but I see a bit of contradictory evidence here that I never saw anywhere else, and have done business in nearly every large city in this country and some in Europe. his desk. Nearly always it is a handsome nstead of being false in his domestic re-

Bound to Be Criticised.

From the Catholic Standard and Times. that mean he's dishonest? Knox-Well, he's rich, isn't he?

Ascum-Yes; but he made his money before he got into the Senate. Knox-Then that's what put him there A Give-away.

"You ought to see my wife," said Jackson Trays. "She's going around to-day

From the Philadelphia Press.

Undoubtedly. From the Cleveland Leader. "If the President's recommendation of in income tax laws goes through-"

CAPITOL GOSSIP.

With the expiration of the Fifty-ninth

Prospective Georgia Vacancy,

It will be observed that the author of until the Georgia legislature assembles at the text speaks of the King of France, Atlanta, in June, that State will be repmeaning, of course, some particular king, resented on the Senate roll call by only but he does not give us his name, or the one name, unless, pending the interval, ed the Wise, who in his first battle at Bacon was unanimously nominated by the Poltiers deserted his colors, and toward Georgia Democrats in their primary electhe end of his reign erected the Bastile. Ition last summer, but under the peculiar until June. At that time Gov.-elect Hoke ry V. of England; or any of the kings of Smith also will be inducted into office unanimous vote of the Democrats in the We are told, however, distinctly that legislature, but news from Georgia indihe marched with forty thousand men. The lesson to be learned from this text is, giving the temporary appointment to and without any intent to reflect upon raised in Georgia as to the authority of Gov. Terrell to fill the short vacancy at all, and the politicians of that State are getting worked up over this question. Senator Bacon is in line for promotion to the floor leadership of the Democrats to succeed the late Arthur Pue Gorman, though it is understood that he does not want the responsibility of that position

Mr. Slayden Misrepresented.

The attitude of Representative Slayden one struggles to be first, and many, with of Texas, on the centralization question no regard for those who have fallen by has been distorted by the newspapers unthe way, rush madly over them, intent intentionally. He has been quoted as on gaining the summit. Those who approving the bold and radical stand recently assumed by Secretary Root, when he insisted that just the opposite is his position. "What I tried to say to the newspapers when applied to for an interview on this vitally interesting subject," said Mr. Slayden yesterday, "was that in his New York speech Secretary Root had performed a service of great public drift of our government into centraliza preached and practiced by his party, but ernments have failed signally in their to add all we could to the happiness of duties all the powers of our governments are being centralized here in Washington, I hope Mr. Root's speech will have the ondition of things, to the end that they so that the States will perform the func tions the builders of this nation imposed upon them. Until that is done we may expect the national government to aggrandize and exercise the powers that belong to the States. I recognize as well tralia was in connection with the re- as anybody does that the national quar cent purchase of motor omnibuses for antine law, which was demanded by the use as adjuncts to the tram service. South, is a long step toward centraliza-One of the railway commissioners re-turned from a trip to England im-

Mr. Root's State Papers.

Great lawyer and successful diplomat serted that motor omnibuses could not that Elihu Root is recognized as being. To coax me softly, lazily, to rest with it body, the germs of a revival of the Or- As long as there is ground for suspicion be used to advantage here, regardless it is a fact little known that the verbiage the Senate commented upon this vesterday as an interesting circumstance, and pointed out the fact that Mr. Root's hit with Congress, he will send in gin at home, and that until metropolitan were then withdrawn. The other two his refusal to compose the important a message recommending an increase of credit operations are reduced to some sort were in service from April 23, 1906, to papers which he has to sign as Secretary of State. As a lawyer of large practice he acquired the habit of directness and this view, but it is one that explains the slowness of the country to respond to appeals for financial reform emanating from Wall street, and it should be taken to The State that he discovered that the safest total revenue was exactly £557, or course for him to pursue would be to have one of his assistants clothe in the formal and stilted language of diplomacy every make to a foreign power. Accordingly, he has Assistant Secretary Adee, who has game, but it died all over. And it was them out, giving clearly, distinctly, and all on account of the new advanced incisively his ideas, and then turns them over to Mr. Adee, who produces a paper that conforms most minutely to all of the one of the school members spelt it like requirements of diplomatic forms and Mr. Carnegie does, and gave him and customs, and which at the same time requirements of diplomatic forms and

Vernon a Full-blood.

Congressmen are remarking upon the curious circumstance that there is now holding a prominent position in the departments a full-blooded negro in the person of Hon. W. T. Vernon, of Kansas, reently confirmed by the Senate as Register of the Treasury. Vernon succeed Judson Lyon, of Georgia. Lyon is cop-per-colored. Vernon is black, and has ne but African blood in his veins. Several negroes have held the office now filled by Vernon, but none of them was as black as he. Vernon was prominent for years in the Republican politics of Kansas, and his selection for Register of hrough one of the registry offices in our by President Roosevelt before the Sena- is ever in your thoughts?" tors from that State were consulted. A pretty stiff fight was made on his confirmation, under the leadership of Senator Tillman, but the President satisfied the ajority of the Senate that the charges upon half a dozen posts set up for that against Vernon were not true. Vernon spends a good deal of his time at the "Bridget was at the task so long that Capitol, and seems immensely interested in the proceedings of Congress. It is said that he has an ambition to serve in the House, and that he may make a race for that position when his term as Register of the Treasury expires. Kansas has never sent a negro to Congress, though able and just about represents the Reonditions. He is stout and stocky, and ability. He is a school-teacher by pro-

Two Judicial Chums. Every week-day afternoon when the

held a session in its cozy little room at the Capitol and adjourned, Associate It is necessary for me to visit a great the Capitol and adjourned, Associate many offices, and wherever I go I see Justice Edward Douglass White and Asthing seems to be against the man who some man who has a photograph of his sociate Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes wife and baby in a little frame or case on are the first members of the august tribunal to leave the building. Mr. Juslittle oval gilt frame, with two wings, tice White, a Louisiana Democrat of the one for the baby and one for mamma, so old school, is stout and robust. Mr. Justice Holmes, a Massachusetts Republican ars to be proud of them of the old school, is lank and attenuated.
The judicial legs "keep step" as their Capital to the Avenue, and up that splen-Ascum-Why do you sneer when you're did thoroughfare they stride at a gait failed to maintain. Their gesticulations ndicate that they are discussing some France, and other foreign countries. abstruse question of law, or mayhap metaphysics, and they keep up an animated conversation all the way to their homes. They usually are so engrossed in each other's talk that neither look to the right nor the left on their long walk omeward, and thus few persons have a anything. chance to salute them. But whenever another pedestrian does have the good fortune to catch the eye of either, both give a profound bow and a military salute 'She found one in my pocket this mornwhich each learned in the army more than forty years ago, when they were shooting at each other, Mr. Justice Holmes from the Union side and Mr. Justice White from the Confederate side. It is said that sometimes they fight their three-year-old. battles over again as they walk from the chummy as these two members.

A LITTLE NONSENSE.

WITH LIPS GLUED.

In making toys.

There was a little German maid Who novels read, I'm much afraid, As stolen joys. This maid had scanty time for play, For she was busied all the day

One day a trooper brave she had. He was a handsome soldier lad With jointed arms. And so she picked a damsel out; A damsel who, though rather stout, Had many charms.

These toys face to face she stood And then their lips together glued. She did. gadzooks! 'And now they are," she coyly said, "Like lovers of whom I have read In story books."

It's No Use.

"Say!" "Well?" "Why will people tackle Roosevelt?"

"I do." "I can get you an introduction." "Walt a few weeks. I can survive until | Piedmont."

after Christmas. Who Doesn't?

As I pass by The shops and eye The countless treasures which Loom thro' the glass, I wish, alas,

That I were rich, rich, rich! Try One.

"Speaking of marriage." "'Tis better to have tried and lost, than

never to have tried at all." Dear College Days.

He Explains.

"I see no joke in this item," declared the humorist's wife. "There isn't any." "Then why insert it?"

THE INNOCENT BYSTANDER.

"Because I couldn't think of a joke, my

THE GOODLY COUNTRY. I've never seen a hill but looked at me

with grave content, Good-naturedly and cheerfully, whichever way I went; dent Fairbanks' dinner. Mr. Ade is a Though it were bleak and bare and Hoosier in every fiber of his being, and brown, it shouldered to the sky

But any building, be it house, or templed place, or mart,

not have the time To loaf beside the forests where the blossomed vines would climb,

leanist pretensions; it is infinitely worse that monetary stringency and accompany- of how satisfactory they had been of the diplomatic papers bearing his name. And see the comfort it could find in creeping mile on mile; But city streets-they blare at you and liams, of South Dakota, at the National. will not let you stay;

your dreams away.

to interfere. We do not wholly agree with The cost of the omnibuses was \$25,538 incisiveness, which is illy suited to the That did not seem to bend to me all Crawford is unfriendly, and that he and friendlywise, and bless the Senator have fallen out, is without in its distress; the best sort of an understanding exists

> beats in your eye, And look whatever way you will you cannot see the sky. I've never seen a country road, or brook,

That did not have a kindly word to speak or sing to me: They never crowd us to one side, they never sneer nor frown,

or hill, or tree.

be the hidden plan make the world than man.

AN EXPLANATION. Absent-mindedly, the young man calls her "Alice."

A few moments later he addresses her as "Rose. Not long afterward he speaks to her as 'Phyllis.'

In a few moments he calls her "Julia." And so on, within an hour calling her politics, and when the biggest politicians by a score of different names. The fair in the land valued his friendship, young creature draws herself away Gen. Clarkson is a loyal son of Iowa, young creature draws herself away haughtily and accuses him of trifling with her affections. her affections.

own," she says. "How am I to believe tice Miller, one of the greatest jurists ple young woman, who came to us the Treasury is said to have been made you when you say I am the only girl who who ever sat on the Supreme bench; Sen-

world to me, in truth." BRIGHT FUTURE.

The door bell to the tea bell said: "It is not hard to tell Our friend by great ambition's led And works while others are in bed-

He is a rising bell.' WILBUR NESBIT. Whistler Doubted.

from the Pittsburg Press James McNeil Whistler and a friend, humor over a little incident that had ocstrolling through a London suburb, met curred during the day at the Capitol. It

"Seven," the boy replied, "Oh, you must be more than seven," said Whistler, doubtingly. insisted the boy, Supreme Court of the United States has pleased at being taken for older. Turning to his friend, Whistler said,

'Do you think it possible that he really

only seven years?" Ungrateful.

From the Chicago Tribune. William Herry Harrison had just won the battle of Tippecanoe.

"I felt that it was up to me," he ex-"I felt that it was up to me," he ex-plained, "to give the future novelists of directly at me." owners swing along side by side down Indiana a sort of historical background."
the long walk from the west front of the For, with the simple-mindness of For, with the simple-mindness great men, it did not occur to him that Indiana's coming authors would choose which many a younger man has tried and to locate the scenes of their best selling stories in Palestine, Mexico, Graustark,

Broke Something. From the Philadelphia Press.

"I understand your cook has permitted this month to go by without breaking "Oh, you're mistaken."

"But your wife said she hadn't broken "Exactly, but because of that fact she broke her record."

His Idea.

From the Detroit Free Press.

"It's the bone that's in the part of the "If it does, in two years statistics will Supreme Court chambers to their homes, chicken you wish you had, when you've woted us a lump sum of \$25,000, promoted now us to be the poorest nation on No two members of the court are as got the neck," responded the youthful Porter, and gave all the officers the thanks of the National Le islature."

HEARD AT HOTELS.

Two remarkable men stood in the lobby of the Willard last evening-ex-Senator Henry G. Davis, of West Virginia, and his brother, Capt. Tom Davis, who represents the Second district of that State in Congress, but who will go out of public life on the 4th of next March, after only one term in the House,

Capt. Tom is a bachelor and very rich, but not at all enamored of playing the role of a statesman. He will be seventynine years old his next birthday, while his distinguished brother, who was running mate to Judge Parker in 1904, is past eighty-three. For their advanced ages these gentlemen are wonderfully spry, and Capt. Tom is as quick of motion as most men of fifty.

"I was born in Baltimore," said he "but in early life took up the railroad business. I was on the first train that ran from Baltimore to Wheeling in 1852, and subsequently was a conductor on the road. In that time the schedule called for seventeen hours between those towns, "You recall that girl you were dying to My brother also was a conductor on the same road. In 1855 I thought I had experienced enough of railroading and went into the coal business in a small way at

> "There is no part of old Virginia that has experienced a greater degree of prosperity of late than Northampton County," said Col. C. G. Smithers, collector of customs at Cape Charles, at the Raleigh.

"For the past four or five years the people of our section have been making money in a way they never dreamed of, and all through the medium of a single thing-the Irish potato crop. Northampton is the banner county of the nation for producing potatoes. They are not only of superior quality, but they come into market ahead of all others, in the early part of June. Buyers from every "What's your boy learnin' at college, part of the country come to Cape Charles for the tubers, and the shipments are "Well, the last time he writ he said he something enormous. A few years ago wuz learnin' to say no, an' makin' poor the price of potatoes was so low that our farmers, at times, would not dig them Now they get from \$2.50 a barrel to nearly

twice that figure. "Some of our extra smart farmers have found out that they can really raise 'Bermuda' potatoes—at least, they sell under that name in New York and command a fancy price. As a natural conse quence, the lands of our county have gone away up, and any sort of a farm is worth \$150 an acre, which is not high, seeing that this amount is often cleared on a single acre from one year's crop.

George Ade, playwright and narrator of modern fables, is at the New Willard, having come over to attend Vice President Fairbanks' dinner. Mr. Ade is a though he makes his headquarters in New And looked at me in quiet peace when I York, values his citizenship so much that he goes regularly back to Indiana to vote. "Certainy, I am for an Indiana man for will face a man with chilling brows that egate to the next National Republican onvention, I should cast my first vote for Mr. Fairbanks, the second for Senator I've never seen a country road that did Beveridge, the third for Fairbanks, fourth for Beveridge, and so in regular alternation till one of them had won.

"Senator Robert J. Gamble will be trimphantly re-elected when our legislature meets in January," said Mr. B. J. Wil-"Not only did the Senator get the in-They hustle you unceasingly and drive dorsement of the State Republican con vention, but forty-four out of fifty-three I've never seen the sky that shields the instruction for him. The Republicans countryside at night— An ebon velvet drapery looped up with lature, and I think he will get every vote

But when the city has its night the glare between them, and Crawford's friends are zealous supporters of Gamble. Mr. George W. Reed, of Oakland, who is at the Arlington, is one of the leading lawyers of Alameda County, and also

prominent in the councils of the Republican party. "Oakland," said Mr. Reed, "which is eight miles across the bay from San Nor view us strangerwise as do the Francisco, has grown enormously since streets and walls of town.

And so sometimes I think that this may our sister city. Before that catastrophe be the hidden plan our population was estimated at about To show us how much better God could 100,000, but to-day it is in the neighborhood of 225,000. Real estate values risen enormously, and the boom in building is unprecedented, being retarded only by the difficulty in securing laborers. Oakland is beautifully located, and will become a very important place is a

> Gen. James S. Clarkson, who is at the New Willard, is as magnetic as in the old days, when he was a power in national

"You call me by every name but my State had produced, including her great Senators, Grimes and Harlan; Mr. Juss ever in your thoughts?"

"My darling," he avers, "the mere fact Judge John F. Dillon, Mr. Shonts, of the Panama Canal Commission; Bob Burdette that I call you by so many names should the humorist, and others of equal fambe convincing proof that you are all the 'It must not be forgotten too," added the general, "that Iowa has produced a famous woman also in the person of Lillian Russell, who is as clever as she

is beautiful."

of thanks?"

In the lobby of the New Willard last evening sat Mr. Warwick M. Hough, the well-known St. Louis lawyer, and his friend and client, Capt. John C. Parker, a respected citizen and leading business man of Louisville, Ky. They were in good first-rate a small boy. Whistler asked him his seems that Capt. Parker wanted to see a member of the House and did not wish to send in a card for him, so when stopped by the doorkeeper it suddenly flashed over his mind that he had a right to go in on the floor of the House, for had not he been given the thanks of Congress fortythree years ago, although in all the inter-vening years he had never exercised the

could have gotten as dirty as that in privilege of appearing on the floor which only seven years?" "Accordingly, I went in," said the cap-tain, "and got there just in time to get counted by Speaker Cannon on the affirmative with those who voted in favor of an increase of pay for the Vice President and members of the Cabinet. I am sure

"And how did you come to get the vote

"Well, I got that honor along with a number of officers, and the commander of the Essex, Capt. W. D. Porter, a brother of the admiral, for our work in causing the destruction of the Confederate ironclad Arkansas at Baton Rouge, La., on August 6, 1862. A little while before that her commander, Capt. Brown, had steamed down the Yazoo River and run the gantlet of Farragut's fleet, as heroic an act as was ever chronicled in naval history. A week later we took the Essex and went after the Arkansas, and the fight that took place between them was particularly hot. The enemy was plated with railroad iron, and her English guns were far better than ours. But that is ancient history now, and the story has been too often told to bear repetition, This fight, however, was preliminary to "Pa, what's the wish bone?" asked the the extermination of the Arkansas at the hands of her own crew, and as the Es-

sex directly brought it about, Congress